

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**STEVEN LYONS,**

**Plaintiff,**

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 12-cv-15408**

**v.**

**DISTRICT JUDGE JUDITH E. LEVY**

**MAGISTRATE JUDGE MONA K. MAJZOUN**

**GAYLE LEACH, et al.,**

**Defendants.**

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**OPINION AND ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS'  
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO TAKE PLAINTIFF'S DEPOSITION [52]**

This is a prisoner civil rights complaint brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Before the Court is Defendants' Motion for Leave to Take Plaintiff's Deposition. (Docket no. 52.) Plaintiff has not filed a Response. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(a)(2)(B), a party must obtain leave of court to take the deposition of a person confined in prison. Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(a)(2)(b). The court must grant leave to the extent consistent with Rule 26(b)(2). *Id.* Defendants assert that the taking of Plaintiff's deposition is essential to the preparation of a defense in this case. The Court agrees. Accordingly, Defendants' Motion for Leave to Take Plaintiff's Deposition is GRANTED.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**NOTICE TO THE PARTIES**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(a), the parties have a period of fourteen days from the date of this Order within which to file any written appeal to the District Judge as may be permissible under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

Dated: October 7, 2014

s/ Mona K. Majzoub

MONA K. MAJZOUB

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**PROOF OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of this Order was served upon Steven Lyons and Counsel of Record on this date.

Dated: October 7, 2014

s/ Lisa C. Bartlett

Case Manager